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**Abstract**

In a method for determining whether or not electronic mail ~~transmitting~~transmitted through a network is infected by a mail virus, it is determined whether or not a first address indicated by the electronic mail ~~transmitting~~transmitted through the network is the same as a second address for mail virus detection, and other electronic mail ~~having of~~the same type of the ~~electronic mail~~ is suppressed from being sent when the electronic mail has the second address for the mail virus detection.